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JON S. CORZINE
Governor

HEATHER HOWARD
Commissioner

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Subject: NJ Nursing Home Report Card

Dear Administrator:

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services Nursing Home Report Card, a rating system based upon a subset of the federal Medicare and Medicaid Nursing Home regulations, has been a valuable tool for consumers.

However, as of December 18, 2008, the New Jersey Report Card has been replaced by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Five Star Rating system. This system includes a comprehensive rating structure, which allows comparison of federally certified Nursing Homes in New Jersey and across the country. To access the Five Star Rating System, go to, <http://www.medicare.gov/NHCompare/Home.asp>.

Provider Technical support is available at 1-800-839-9290. Consumer information is available at 1-800-633-4227 and bettercare@cms.hhs.gov. If you require additional information about New Jersey's nursing homes, please contact Pamela Gendlek at pamela.gendlek@doh.state.nj.us or (609) 633-8981.

Sincerely,

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